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SUBJECT: NEXT STEP AGAINST THE PROPOSED SKIM MILK MIXING REGULATION

REF: A. EC BRUSSELS 11290; B EC BRUSSELS 11048

1. AS REPORTED IN REF A, THE AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL HAS HAD A FIRST PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF THE PROPOSED SKIM MILK MIXING REGULATION AS AN ELEMENT OF THE 1975-6 PRICE PACKAGE. PRESUMABLY THE COMMISSION WILL, AT SOME POINT, PUT FORWARD AN ENFORCEMENT MECHANISM. IN REF B, WE RECORDED WIJNMAALEN'S JUDGMENT THAT NO DECISION WOULD BE TAKEN ON THIS ISSUE UNTIL AFTER LARDINOIS' MEETING WITH SECRETARY BUTZ IN WASHINGTON IN EARLY JANUARY. MORE RECENTLY, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THE PROPOSED MIXING REGULATION WOULD BE ON THE LARDINOIS/BUTZ AGENDA.

2. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE RECOMMEND NO REPEAT NO FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS TO THE THE COMMISSION OR IN MEMBER STATE CAPITALS UNTIL AFTER THE LARDINOIS/BUTZ MEETING. SECRETARY BUTZ IS CLEARLY WELL-PLACED TO ARGUE THE US CASE WITH LARDINOIS, THE MAIN PROPONENT OF THE MIXING
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REGULATION. SECONDLY, OFFICIALS IN THE EC ARE WELL

AWARE OF OUR OPPOSITION AND THE REASONS FOR IT. AFTER
THE LARDINOIS/BUTZ TALKS, WE WILL HAVE A BETTER IDEA
ABOUT HOW TO PROCEED MOST EFFECTIVELY TO PROTECT OUR
SOYBEAN INTERESTS. FINALLY, ANOTHER SERIES OF REPRESENTATIONS BEFORE THE LARDINOIS/BUTZ MEETING (A) CANNOT
LEAD TO ANY IMPROVEMENT OF THE SITUATION IN THE HOLIDAY
PERIOD; (B) WILL DEBASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR PROTESTS
BY EXCESSIVE, UNNECESSARY APPROACHES; AND (C) RISKS
ESCALATING THE ISSUE PREMATURELY IN PRESS AND PUBLIC
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